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MANY ARE OUT FOR THE COUNCIL

Biggest Fights Are in
Madison Ward.

DABNEY AND ALLEN IN PRETTY RACE

New Ward Lines Throw Them
in Opposition to One
Another.

POLLOCK IS FORMIDABLE FOR LOWER BRANCH

Henry Ward Short of Candi-
dates for Both Branches—Old
Members to Retire—City
Committee Meets Friday
Night to Receive and
Discuss Plan.

For the present much of the interest in the municipal primary, which will take place on April 26th, seems to be centering on the nomination of candidates for the Board and Common Council, though the mayoralty fight is, of course, a lively issue. Six of the present members of the lower branch have announced their purpose not to stand again, but more than enough new men are already in the field to fill their places. Among those who will retire are President Sol. L. Bloomburg and Mr. N. D. Hargrove, chairman of the Finance Committee.

Mr. Bloomburg says he made up his mind a year ago not to run again. As stated in this paper several days ago, Mr. R. L. Peters is the only man whose name is prominently mentioned for president, and he will likely be chosen.

Madison Ward has more candidates so far than any of the rest. This is to some extent owing to the fact that three of the old Jackson Ward delegation are now in Madison, and desire to retain their seats in the body.

The Fighting Ward.

The holding over of one of the members of the upper branch, who is thrown from Jackson into Madison, also provokes a fight for the Board. Alderman P. H. Donahoe is this man, and his present status leaves but one vacancy to be filled in Madison, with two old members probably desiring to fill it.

Major Otway S. Allen has not declared his intention to run again, but he will likely do so shortly, and his colleague, Mr. W. T. Dabney, is already making a strong pull for victory.

All the delegation in the lower branch from Madison are in the field again except Mr. Hargrove, and besides these Messrs. Joseph Wallerstein, a former member, and Charles N. Williams, Jr., are out, along with Messrs. Pollock, Teece and Whalen of old Jackson.

Mr. Pollock is putting up a game fight, and not only has great strength in the Jackson and Jefferson Ward sides, but is pulling up well in the center, where so many down town business men vote.

A Pushing Member.

Mr. Pollock is quite popular, and his business like methods in the body are appealing to the voters.

For no other ward except Monroe, so far, is there a fight on for the Board, nor is that for the lower branch so lively in any.

Other candidates are expected to come out, however, and it would cause no surprise should a pretty lively field develop all over the city before the primary day.

The following members of the lower branch will not stand for re-election: Messrs. Sol. L. Bloomburg, N. D. Hargrove, D. J. O'Neil, B. H. Clowes, Julian M. Boeseux and W. A. Crenshaw.

The following aldermen will hold over for two years from September 1, 1904: Adams, of Jefferson; Cottrell, of Clay; Donahoe, now of Madison; Gilman, of Lee; Gurnett, of Monroe; Minor, of Lee; Sutterfield, of Marshall; Seay, of Clay.

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RUSH FOR THE PARKER BAND WAGON

Will be a Stampede When
New York Instructs.

TIME NOT RIPE FOR A SOUTHERN MAN

Democrats Wisely Not Disposed
to Take Advice Urged by
Republicans.

WILL PUT OFF SACKCLOTH BEFORE MANY MORE YEARS

Washington Correspondent, With
Unequalled Opportunities for
Observing Drift of Events,
Confidently Predicts a
Future as Glorious
as the Past.

(From Our Regular Correspondent.)
WASHINGTON, D. C., April 2.—Though it is regarded as almost certain, in view of the triumph of the Parker men at the New York primaries this week, that Judge Alton B. Parker will have an instructed delegation at the St. Louis Convention from the Empire State, the Hearst men do not admit that he is at all sure to be nominated. The Southern papers have been almost a unit in declaring that New York should be allowed to name the nominee, and the Democratic journals of the country generally have taken the same view.

The advocates of the nomination of Mr. Hearst do not admit that the New York delegation will be instructed for Judge Parker, and in that is the secret of their still refusing to admit that he is anything like sure of the nomination. One of the leaders of the Hearst movement in the country and the man who has charge of the Hearst campaign in this city, told me at the New Willard to-day that the New York delegation would not be instructed for Parker.

"The delegation from the Empire State will be uninstructed," he said; "that is a certainty."

It is a fact that nobody believes that the Hearst men, and they, of course, must keep up a bold front. It is also a fact that it is believed by everybody here that Judge Parker will have the solid New York delegation, and that as soon as the State Convention shall have been held, on the 13th of April, and the seventy-two delegates, to which New York is entitled, are instructed to cast their ballots at St. Louis for Judge Alton B. Parker, the other States will begin to instruct for him, and that there will be a general rush to get into the Parker wagon.

"Gift-Bearing Greeks."

One of the most striking features of this campaign for the nomination that the country will see perhaps, if it can get behind a campaign, is the unanimity with which the press of the Southern

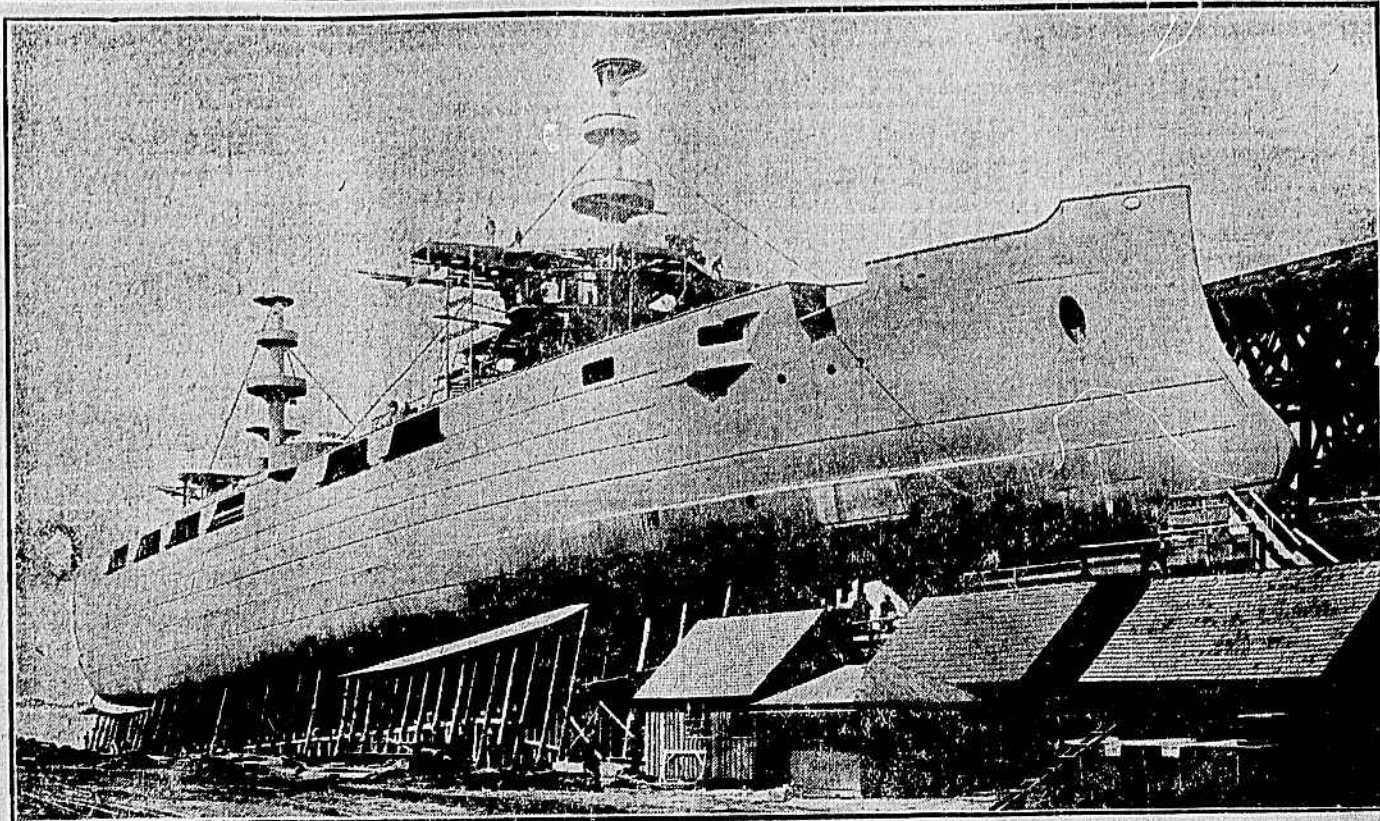
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REIGN OF QUEEN ISYL

Don't fail to read this fascinating love story by Cellett Burgess and Will Irwin, on page 11 of to-day's Magazine Section. It is of thrilling interest.

This is the first of a series of nine love stories by these widely known authors to be printed in The Sunday Times-Dispatch.

THOUSANDS OF VIRGINIANS WILL CHEER WHEN THE VIRGINIA LEAVES THE WAYS



THE VIRGINIA AS SHE LOOKS ON THE WAYS AT NEWPORT NEWS.

Launching on Tuesday
to be Notable Event.

DETAILS PERFECT FOR THE OCCASION

To be the Most Interesting
Launching in the History of
Newport News.

SPECIAL TRAINS TO RUN AND WILL CARRY THOUSANDS

Governor and Party, the Two
Clubs and Great Number of
Others to Go From Rich-
mond—Interesting Facts
About the Great Ship-
Building Plants.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)
NEWPORT NEWS, VA., April 2.—Newport News people never do things by halves, and they never put things off. If they have a big thing put down on the programme for any particular day, they get ready for it several days in advance, so that they may do all the work of getting ready in decency and in order, and not be rushed to death at the last moment. Important launching days are big days for Newport News, and the people have learned to prepare for them in advance. They got ready for the double launching of the Kearsarge and Kentucky a week ahead of the date. They were ready for the separate slips of the Korea and the Siberia, the biggest freight and passenger haulers ever built on the Atlantic coast, days ahead of time. They were ready for the great Confederate reunion last year long before any of the old soldiers had left their homes, and now with the going down of to-day's sun, they are ready for the crowds and festivities that will make Tuesday next the biggest day in the history of Newport News.

The Great Day.
As all Times-Dispatch readers know, the battleship Virginia will at 1 o'clock in the afternoon on Tuesday be launched at the works of the Newport News Shipbuilding and Dry-dock Company. The preparations for his great event, referred to above as having been completed, were immense. The day having been by act of Legislature made a legal holiday and all the people of the Commonwealth and of the country at large their appreciation of this courtesy by making all Virginia and all the country proud of "Virginia Day" as in the hands of Newport News.

Much Money Raised.
The city Treasury has been drawn upon, the banks and wholesale merchants have turned loose their coin, the retail merchants, the insurance men, the professional men, the labor unions, the salaried men and women and children have all gone down into their pockets and the result was that a fund was raised sufficient to make things go to put Newport News' best clothes on, and she is now arrayed and dressed and bedecked in fitting and hospitable attire to receive her guests on Tuesday.

There is no way of telling just how many people will be here Tuesday, but various and sundry estimates have been made. These estimates vary from 25,000 to 55,000.

Conservative Estimate.
My estimate, based upon information received from the shipyard people, from the railway offices, not only here, but elsewhere, from naval officials from the stacks of letters on the desks of the hotel proprietors here, at Hampton and Old Point, and from other sources, is that there will be 50,000 visitors in Newport News and on the waters of the James and Hampton Roads, in sight of the shipyard, where the Virginia jumps into the James at 1 o'clock on Tuesday. The crowd here on the 24th of March,

CONGRESS CAN'T DENY VIRGINIA

Jamestown Exposition Company
Will Get Large Sum, Says
Chairman Tawney.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
WASHINGTON, D. C., April 2.—It is almost impossible for Congress to refuse anything that Virginia may ask. We are going to recommend a handsome appropriation for the Jamestown Exposition.

That is what Representative Tawney, of Minnesota, chairman of the House Committee on Arts and Expositions, said to-day regarding the proposed appropriation of \$3,500,000 for the exposition to be held in 1907 at Norfolk, Va., in commemoration of the settlement of Jamestown in 1607.

Mr. Tawney said that the committee had been profoundly impressed by the addresses made on behalf of the exposition, and that Congress felt strongly that the national government should liberally support the movement.

The House committee agreed that an amount not less than \$2,000,000 should be appropriated for the exposition. It is probable that the appropriation will exceed that amount.

Representative Sherman, of New York, is earnestly recommending the largest possible appropriation consistent with the merits of the petition. Representative Harrison, of New York, has been helpful in bringing the subject to the favorable consideration of the committee.

RENT RAISED TWO DOLLARS; HETTY GREEN MOVES OUT

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
JERSEY CITY, April 2.—The mystery of Hoboken is "Where is Hetty Green?" The "richest woman in the world" is no longer a resident of that suburb, where for some time she occupied a flat at No. 31 Thirteenth Street. A notice from the landlord, the Hoboken Land and Improvement Company, that on April 1st her rent would be raised from \$21 to \$23 a month is given as the cause of her flitting. A single van did the rest.

MR. CLEVELAND DENIES THAT HE INVITED FRED DOUGLAS

Chase City, Va., April 2, 1904.
Editor of The Times-Dispatch:

Sir,—Being a warm admirer of Hon. Grover Cleveland, I was greatly disappointed in that no denial was publicly made to the charges of Tom Watson, that Mr. Cleveland had, while President, dined with Fred Douglas, and, while Governor of New York, had signed a bill providing for mixed schools. In the name of the Democracy of Virginia, I wrote to Mr. Cleveland about the matter, and now take great pleasure in giving you his answer.

Very respectfully,
W. E. ABERNETHY.

Princeton, March 27, 1904.

Will E. Abernethy, Esq.:
Dear Sir,—My attention has been several times called to the statements of Mr. Tom E. Watson, to the effect that Fred Douglas was invited to my wedding reception, and further that while Governor I signed a bill providing for mixed schools. I have already written two or three letters denying these allegations and do not propose to spend any more time denying statements so absurd and emanating from so impossible a source.

Each and every one of Mr. Watson's charges (if they can be so called), as they have been presented to me, is false. They are about as far from the truth as they can be; and they were made, I have no doubt, without the least reason to believe them to be true, and certainly in a spirit of which even Mr. Watson ought to be ashamed.

Yours very truly,
GROVER CLEVELAND.

LOVELY EASTER ROSES CAUSE RECIPIENT'S DEATH

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
NEW YORK, April 2.—A bouquet of roses presented to Mrs. Catherine Dann- becker, of Glen Ridge, N. J., a few days ago on her seventy-first birthday, caused her death yesterday. She scratched her finger on the thorn of a rose and blood poisoning developed.

Nothing was thought of the trivial wound at first, but soon her hand began to swell and a physician was called in. The swelling increased, and all efforts to save the aged woman's life proved vain.

DEATH MAY LURK IN SWEET KISSES

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
ST. PAUL, April 2.—Mrs. Kate D. Richeson, whose suit for divorce against Dr. W. G. Richeson, a leading physician and prominent social figure, now is in Judge Bunn's court, alleges that her husband attempted to poison her by means of sweet-smelling poison, with which he anointed his lips.

"When he asked me to kiss him, I was afraid," Mrs. Richeson testified, "because I smelled the faint, sweet odor, and was certain that he was attempting to kill me. Several times he threatened to kill me, and often spoke cruelly of how easy it would be to end my life."

PRIEST'S SERMON CAUSED A SUICIDE

Sweetheart Refused Lover Be-
cause Her Father Denounced
Mixed Marriages.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
UTICA, N. Y., April 2.—The will of John Owens, a young business man of this city, whose home was in the nearby village of Remsen, was filed for probate Friday. It leaves most of his \$10,000 estate to the young woman whose breaking of their engagement caused him to commit suicide last Saturday. With the exception of a sister, Mr. Owens's relatives are cut off by the will, and they will contest it.

The engagement was broken by Mr. Owens's fiancée as the result of a sermon she heard a Catholic priest preach in St. Joseph's Church, in which marriage between Catholics and Protestants was a devout member of St. Joseph's Church. Redemptorist priests have been holding a mission in the church, and they have earnestly denounced mixed marriages, of which many have taken place in this city.

Mr. Owens was to have been married in June. He received a letter from his fiancée announcing the breaking off of the engagement, and on Saturday, after telling his mother of its receipt, he shot himself through the head. After mailing the letters to Owens the young woman left for Buffalo to avoid meeting him.

PRIEST ABLAZE IN PULPIT; PANIC NARROWLY AVERTED

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
CHICAGO, April 2.—Through the presence of mind of the Rev. J. Malley, a panic was averted in St. Jarlath's Church, West Jackson Boulevard, at services to-day. Father Malley's face suddenly came in contact with a lighted candle. Instantly he was enveloped in flames. A cry of horror rang through the church and the congregation arose.

Father Malley tore the burning surplice to shreds and divested himself of other burning garments. His hands and face were seriously burned. Turning to the terror-stricken congregation, he shouted: "Sit down. There is no danger. He went on with the services."

ARTIST ROSTRUP'S IMPRESSIONS OF THE MOST STRIKING EASTER STYLES.

